

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**Claims 1 to 39 (cancelled)**

**Claim 40 (cancelled)**

**Claims 41 to 43 (cancelled)**

**Claims 44 to 54 (cancelled)**

**Claim 55 (cancelled)**

**Claim 56 (cancelled)**

**Claim 57 (currently amended)**

A method of treating warm-blooded animals to inhibit activation of mastocyte or degranulation of basophils, comprising administering to said warm-blooded animals in need thereof an amount of a ~~pharmaceutical, hygienic or cosmetic~~ composition of claim 40- containing as active ingredient a combination of 3 to 95% by weight of sea-water and 0.0001 to 10% by weight of at least one basic amino acid selected from the group consisting of arginine, homoarginine, lysine, diamino-pimelic acid, diamino-valeric acid,

carnitine, guanidine, homarine,  $\alpha$ -methyl-m-tyrosine, N-methyl-aspartic acid,,  
cucurbitine, ornithine, sarcosine and salts thereof, algae extract, bacterial extracts,  
extracts of marine, thermal and lake mud and phytoplankton extract sufficient to inhibit  
activation of mastocytes and degranulation of the basohils.

**Claim 58 (currently amended)**

A method of treating warm-blooded animals suffering from allergic and/or inflammatory conditions which comprises administering to said warm-blooded animals affected with urticaria, exzema, psoriasis or pruitis, an amount of a pharmaceutical, hygienic or cosmetic composition containing as active ingredient a combination of 3 to 95% by weight of sea-water and 0.0001 to 10% by weight of at least one basic amino acid selected from the group consisting of arginine, homoarginine, lysine, diaminopimelic acid, diaminovaleric acid, carnitine, guanidine, homarine,  $\alpha$ -methyl-m-tyrosine, N-methyl-aspartic acid,, cucurbitine, ornithine, sarcosine and salts thereof, algae extract, bacterial extracts, extracts of marine, thermal and lake mud and phytoplankton extract of claim 40, sufficient to inhibit the release of inflammation and/or allergy mediators.